## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SERIAL NO.

76/305,881

FILING DATE

August 27, 2001

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POOCH POPS

APPLICANT

The Jel Sert Co.

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EXAMINER

Samuel E. Sharper

Commissioner for Trademarks 2900 Crystal Drive Arlington, VA 22202-3513

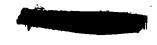
## **REQUEST TO AMEND THE APPLICATION**

Pursuant to the Board's order of October 14, 2003, Applicant submitted an Amendment to Allege Use. Pursuant to this Board's order of January 7, 2004, Applicant requests an Amendment to the Supplemental Register. Please change the application from one seeking registration of the mark on the Principal Register, to one seeking registration of the mark on the Supplemental Register.

Please cancel the paragraph of the application as amended by the previously submitted Amendment to Allege Use, and substitute therefor: "The marks sought to be registered is in lawful use in interstate commerce in connection with the goods at least as early as April 30, 2003."

The Applicant also requests that the application be amended by disclaiming the word "POPS" as follows:

"No claim is made to the exclusive right to use POPS apart from the mark as shown."



In light of the foregoing, Applicant contends the present application is now in condition to be accepted for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

THE JEL SERT CO.

Dated: January 21, 2004

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I certify that the foregoing is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Trademarks, 2900 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202-3514, on:

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To: United States Trademark Office Trial and Appeal Board

From: Russell E. Hattis, Attorney For Blueberry Confections, Inc.

Registration No., 16,817

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Blueberry Confections. Inc. application stands rejected, we believe mistakenly, on both the Deer application for candy published for opposition and on Registration Nos. 1983946 registered 2-7-96 for the mark ON THE GO for crackers and on Registration No. 2477751 for the same mark for cookies by the same owner PF Brands, Inc. . This allowance of the Deer application for GUMMIES ON THE GO for candy and the rejection of Blueberry's application for ON THE GO for candy on these registrations are inconsistent positions.. But if before the opposition period expires Blueberry proves to Deer's satisfaction its prior and continuous use of the ON THE GO mark on candy, it is obvious that no opposition proceeding involving these ON THE GO marks for candy will take place.

Opposition procedures can be extremely expensive to pursue. It is in every one's interest including that of the PTO to avoid this procedure, if possible. To this end, Blueberry wishes first to contact Deer to work out an understanding where at least either Deer or Blueberry would withdraw the application involved. Blueberry officials have tried in vain this past month to contact the parties in interest of Deer's company and found that they were too busy to discuss the matter until certain trade show obligations were met. It is expected that these officials will in the next several weeks agree to meet with

Blueberry officials to explore ways to avoid the need for an opposition proceeding. To give Blueberry and Deer time to talk settlement and exchange evidence of trademark use, Blueberry hereby requests a 3 month extension of time to file an opposition proceeding. involving Deer.

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Russell E. Hattis. Attorney for Applicant Blueberry Confections

CC: Mark Ducorsky

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